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orms Used Among the Hebrews-The Ostyaks in Siberia-Bow the Greeks

nd Jehovah is represented in the early there being none higher. The forms of tence. and more also, God knoweth ther appeals of similar character were originally taken for the performance of certain acts, to pledge allegiance to a sovereign, to pledge a sovereign to the performance of his duty to his people, or to accomplish judicial The witness lifted his hands In Assam, in farther India, two persons desiring to affirm with great solemnity take a fowl or a dog, one by the head, the stripped from his shoulders, his hands other by the tail. The Ostyaks in Siberia when brought into court swear by the forward over the hole.

OATHS OF ANCIENT TIMES. In ancient times it was considered enused various forms of adjuration. One sate for this erring on the side of mercy, of these was "By the Temple." One still counterbalances it by an undue prolongain use is as follows: The person taking tion of the preparations for death, which the eath takes hold of the middle pole of is worse than a hundred deaths. So in the tent and swears by the life of the this case, tent and its owners. Mohammed swore As the poetical oath on record, though hardly so magnificent as the oft quoted adjuration of William the Conqueror, "By the splenwith great solemnity and elaboration. In lingeringly, from the Yasuri m

Greek ladies swore daintily Venus, Diana and Juno, and now and en by some of the male gods whose were taken in vain by their liege The Romans swore by Jupiter, Hercules and their other numerous deities. There has always been the danger of making the oath too common, and thus destroying its sanctity. Though this has made perjury easy, it scarcely explains how indicial or other forms of swearing gradually lost their dignity and became a part of the everyday speech of men and women. In the early days of Christianity oaths were regarded with a superstitious reverence that made them binding. They ost their force in the Middle Ages so ompletely that it was thought neces to supply their place with the trial by combat, contact with redhot iron, and similar barbarous judicial expedients to compel a criminal to prove his innocence.

During the Dark Ages profane swearing head away as the executioner, after ed among the lost arts. In due time t had its renaissance and arrived at its present perfection, with a vocabulary if not a literature of its own. The English have been greatly given to profanity since an early period in their history. Henry the Eighth swore often and vulgarly, and his daughter swore like a trooper. The profane American usually calls on God to anathematize some person or some object which has offended, or simply ana-Englander, or of his rural descendants in other states, "by gosh" and "by golly," are without doubt corruptions of the more

emphatic mediaval appeals to the Supreme

OATHS OF FRENCH MONARCHS. Louis IX, of France, so superstitionsly devout in his old age, swore by God's Resurrection. Charles VIII swore by the Light of God, which was more poetic and suited to his character as a chivairous knight. Louis XII, who merited the title knight. Louis XII, who merited the title Father of his People, treated the deity with less familiarity. He simply said, when he desired to emphasize the assertion, "May the devil carry me off" Francis I, who had been knighted by the Chevalier Bayard, asseverated "On the word of a gentleman." As for Bayard himself, the most finished and irreproachable knight of his age, his favorite adjuraable knight of his age, his favorite adjura-tion was by the "Head of God." Charles IX satisfied his morbid desire for some form of profanity with a terse "God's Death." Henry IV had two oaths with which he freely punctuated his conversation: "By the belly of St. Gris" and "Tarnidieu." St. Gris was the god of &'unkards, and he swore by him as an old a transmitted by the state of the transmitted by the transmi

woman might have sworn by Bacchus. "Jarnidicu" meant Je renie Dieu, that is, "I deny God," or let me deny God if this is so or is not so, meaning to appeal to something impossible. This form of profanity did not please his confessor, Coton, who begged him to deny any one rather than God-himself, for instance. So the king changed his form of adjuration to "Jarnicoton," "I deny Coton."

The French swear "Par Notre Dame"

as the English "By Our Lady." This form of eath has naturally disappeared from the profane vocabulary of Protestant nations, but is still used by Frenchmen, and sometimes by French ladies in the con-tracted form of dame. It is curious to observe that while profanity in France, and to a certain extent in all Catholic countries, has become meaningless, in England and America it retains in most mouths much of its original blasphemous character, perhaps because there have been such slight changes in its spelling. There are English speaking persons who ewear with astonishing volubility without themselves attaching the slightest meaning to the profane words or being moved so far as can be perceived, by any ill feeling. Still, it is not expected that an English or American gentleman will swear in the presence of ladies, nor does a gentleman raise himself in the estimation of others of his sex by using profane oaths as a safety valve to his overburdened otions. - San Francisco Chronicle.

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As each man stepped from the path on the plateau his eyes were firmly bandaged with white paper, the only act of mercy I saw vouchsafed that morning. Finally they were ranged in line, the two implies huddled on the ground, their poor free, that they may try it before purchaseads as they dropped from shoulder to a certainly would advise a trial. It may save cripples huddled on the ground, their poor shoulder being roughly buffeted to a proper angle by the policemen in charge. you from consumption.

This accomplished, amid a silence so absolute that we could almost hear our hearts beat, the great man on the camp stool rose, and unfolding a large docu-The oath was originally an appeal to divine authority to ratify an assertion. ment, read in a loud voice what we sup-The cld Greek gods swore by the Styx, posed to be a description of the crimes for which the poor fellows were to suffer books of the Bible as swearing by himself, and the process of condemnation and senthere being none higher. The forms of tence. This was a very long business, cath among the Hebrews were: "By the God of Abraham," "God do so unto me," native spectators were laughing and and more also, "God knoweth," with joking upon the appearance of the doomed native spectators were laughing and on the appearance of the doomed men with that callousness to human suffering which so much blackens the otherwise amiable and pleasing character of the Japanese people.

At last it was finished. As there were but five holes for seven prisoners, two o heaven or laid one hand on the head of would be obliged to remain in blind the accused. Persons making promises to one another laid their hands on one depatched. Five men were accordingly mother's thighs. Oaths were taken be- mrust forward with the staves and fists fore the altar, as the place most sacred. of the police; each man was made to ing) Brother Tom says that bicycle-riding is full Assam, in farther India, two persons squat on a mound, his clothes—if filthy, splendid exercise for the calves. Grandmin and the calves of the calves of the calves of the life of

jaws, and expressing the hope that they, better be imagined than described, but I think we felt quite as much pity for the think we felt quite as much pity for the ulous, Syphilitic or Mercurial diseases, it is two poor wretches left alone to listen to invaluable. For Rheumatism, has no equal. was going on, without that artificial sential to the validity of an eath that the witness should hold something in his aid to fortitude which the sight of a crowd High streets. hand, or place his hand on some object of great sancting. With the Jews it was on their death seats. Undoubtedly exeof great sanctity. With the Jews it was on their death seats. Undoubtedly exe-the book of the law, which led to the use cution by the trenchant Japanese sword of the Bible in Christian courts. The is as merciful a death as can be desired; Bedouin Arabs have from ancient times but the Oriental nature, as if to compen-

by the "Setting of the stars," the most holes the executioner slowly and deliberately took off his oat and bared his arms. Then he took from its silk casing dor of God." Roman oaths were made the fatal sword, examined it fondly and Roman mythology Juno, making a product is to sleep, is represented as taking ise to sleep, is represented as taking ise to sleep, is represented as taking is the blade, to the point; held it over a beaven in one hand and the earth in the other. Greeks and Romans swore by pail while a coolie trickled water down their gods, by the Styx, by Olympus, by hell, by their sacred springs or rivers, by the sun and mosm. Their oaths were by the blade, to the point; held it over a by the blade, to the blade, to the point; held it over a by the blade, to the point; held it over a by the blade, to the point; held it over a by the blade, to the blade, to the point; held it over a by the blade, to the point; held it over a by the blade, to the blade, to the point; held it over a by the styx, by Olympus, by their sacred springs or rivers, by the sun and mosm. Their oaths were by the blade, to Roman mythology Juno, making a prent- filing on the hilt to keep the grasp from was hanging over the hole by a single ligament and the blood was gushing forth

in torrents. I then saw why the executioner had not completely severed the bead; and the wonderful skill of the Japanese swordsmen, using, as they do, the most perfect weapons in the world, can be in in so arranging the force of the blow that absolute decapitation does not take place He tore the head off and held it toward the four sides of the square; then he gave it to a coolie, who roughly plastered the severed portion with clay and stuck it on a kind of elevated shelf. In the mean while two coolies were thumping on the back of the prostrate body to hasten the rush of blood, after which one of the coarse mats was thrown over it and it was laid aside.

I had seen enough, and I turned my ing his blade with paper, approached the second poor wretch.-Cor. Gentleman's Magazine

Saving the Odds and Ends. The principle of the indestructibility

classes. It is somewhat allegorical to say | High streets. so, but a steer is driven into a stock car at his native ranch, and shortly after he thematizes his eyes or some other part of his person. The profaulty that is some what refined in social centers becomes coarse and occasionally nicturescence coarse and occasionally nicturescence. beef, canned beef, glue, horn combs, horn what refined in social centers becomes buttons, neatsfoot oil, oleomargarine, Great N ive Restorer. No fits after first coarse and occasionally picturesque •: plasterer's hair, leather and fertilizing day's use. starvelous cures. Treatise and the frontier. The oaths of the rural New material. The same way is with a cotton plant, which does duty as cotton cloth, a good imitation of jute matting. as cotton seed oil, as oil cake for feedin cattle when the oil is pressed out, and even the little cotton fiber which attaches to the seed is neatly peeled off and used in the manufacture of the clothing ma-

terial known as shoddy.

In the tobacco manufacturing business. for many years, the stems taken from the leaves were so much waste, except the small proportion that found its way into the very coarse grades of smoking tobacco, for which there is no longer a market. From the nicotine in the stems the small proportion that found its way market. From the nicotine in the stems is now extracted, by steaming, what is known as "sheep wash," a liquid for killing vermin that infest sheep. This done saves the wool interests of America millions of dollars annually, in checking various diseases. The stems, even after his process, are found to be an invaluable fertilizer, and the great western to-bacco manufacturers ship to the impovrished farms of the eastern states thousands of bales annually of tobacco stems. J. J. Butler in Globe-Democrat.

Disadvantages of Being Mute. A teacher in one of our deaf and dumb institutes has presented some statistics relative to the sign language which are of interest as showing the great disac vantage a mute labors under as compared with one who can articulate. He has counted the average number of words a pupil uses per day and finds them to be 1,118. It is estimated that a mother articulates 27,000 words to her child each day. Even allowing for the parts of sentences made to do duty for the whole, and the many signs used by the outes to express whole ideas, we can understand in some degree the disadvantages of even the most favorable conditions. - Chicago Tribune.

Education in the South. Recent investigations have shown that early a million pupils are in the public schools of the southern states; that the amount of money expended annually for schools is \$11,545,000, and that since 1880 the number of public schools has been inof these figures the talk concerning illiterscy in the south is without foundation in fact. There is illiteracy, of course, but nothing like what has been stated. Mobile Register.

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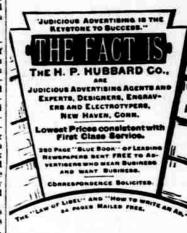
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